Assistance from Japan for Sardar Sarovar Project

6193. SHRI SARAVAN KUMAR PATEL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to refer to the reply given on September 12, 1991 to Unstarred Question No. 6827 and state:

(a) the latest position of securing second loans from Japan for the Sardar Sarovar; and

(b) the amount released by Japan in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). Despite vigorous efforts by the Government of India, the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund, Japan, has so far not agreed to provide the second instalment of loan for the Sardar Sarovar Project.

Augmentation of T.V. facilities in Karnataka

6194. SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received from the Karnataka Government for augmentation of television facilities in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (c). Requests for expansion of TV facilities in the State of Karnataka have been received from time to time. A programme Generation Facilities Centre at Gulbarga has been made technically ready and is expected to be to missioned into service once the requisite man power is in position. Besides, a high power (10 KW) TV Transmitter at Dharwad is also expected to be commissioned into service during the current year. It is also envisaged to post a camera crew at Dharwad subject to availability of requisite staff. Whereas 5 very low power TV transmitters one each at Gangavati, Mandya, Bagalkot, Pavagada and Ramdurg are under various stages of implementation, Doordarshan have also planned to set up two high power TV transmitters one each at Raichur and Mysore, in replacement of the existing low power TV transmitters, subject to availability of adequate resources for the purpose.

Pollution Free Gas Power Plant at Calcutta

6195. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of West Bengal has submitted any proposal for setting up of a pollution free power plant based on Tripura gas; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Courts Decision Against Telephones

6196. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be please to state: